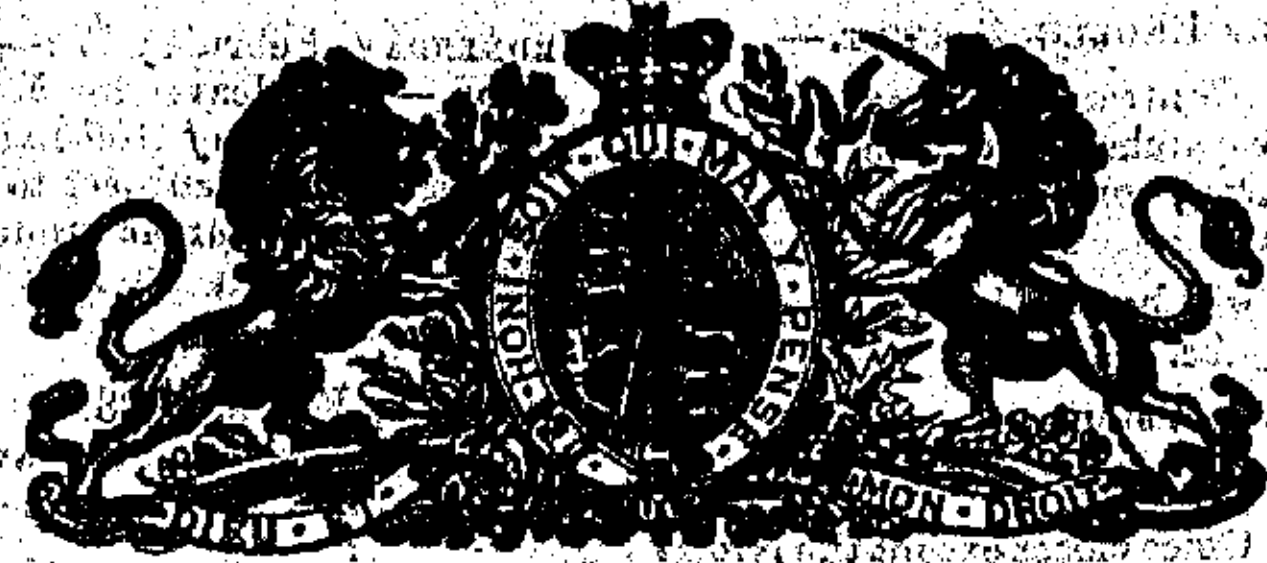


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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALLEN, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTT, Ltd., 10, Old Jewry. E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 150 & 162, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE:—LEON DE ROBERT, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIDB, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTT, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally:—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

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## Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 1,000,000 Dollars.

## COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq.  
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## CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.  
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## HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months, 4 per cent. " "  
For 12 months, 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, February 14, 1878.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS ISAAC ROSE is authorized to conduct the Business of the BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, at Hongkong, and to Sign per Procuration.

JOHN HARVEY, Managing Director.

London, December 14, 1877. fe23

### NOTICE.

MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

### NOTICE.

MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from this date.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1878. ap2

### NOTICE.

MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

### NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS.

Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

### NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port, under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS, ENGINEERS AND BOILERMAKERS, by WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co., Late Manager of the NEWCASTLE IRON WORKS, Hongkong.

Wm. DUNPHY.

Hongkong, December 10, 1877. fe19

## For Sale.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.  
HAVE FOR SALE.

EX M. M. S. S. "AVAL,"  
AND OTHER RECENT ARRIVALS.

TEYSSONNEAU'S STRAWBERRIES in SYRUP.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS in NOYEAU.

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TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED PATES, in Patent Tins.

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## Intimations.

### EX LATE ARRIVALS.

UMBRELLAS, AUTOMATON PATENT. NOVELTIES in TIES and SCARFS. COLLARS and SHIRTS in New Shapes. CHRISTY'S Newest Shapes in HATS. TALL BLACK SILK and DRAB HATS. ELWOOD'S CORK and FELT HELMETS. MEERSCHAUM and BRIAR PIPES. CIGAR TUBES, Assorted.

LAWN TENNIS BATS and BALLS. RACQUET BATS and BALLS. CRICKET BATS, BALLS and STUMPS. CABINETS of GAMES.

LADIES' DRESSING BAGS, Fitted. MANTEL-PIECE MIRRORS. FRENCH and ENGLISH DOLLS. AMERICAN ICE-PITCHERS. RUSSIAN CIGARETTES. SILBER KEROSINE LAMPS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Seventh Ordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 22nd March, 1878, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1877.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th March to the 22nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 22, 1878. mc22

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors,  
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. ap1

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS.

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

46, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, February 20, 1878. mc20

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.

Hongkong, July 18, 1876.

THE EQUITY LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President. J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President. SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary. A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE, 120, Broadway, New York.

Assets.....\$31,700,000  
Surplus.....\$ 5,000,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to Accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars, apply to  
OLYPHANT & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in an Account of Business Contributed during the half year ended 31st December, 1877, on or before the 28th Instant, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Directors,  
D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 11, 1878. fe28

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER, by appointment to H. R. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG; and to H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.

AS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex S. S. Tyne, Evolving Standard Albums, Amorial Monograms and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather, Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and Frames, also Albums for Cabinet Portraits only. Portraits of the Generals of the present Russo-Turkish War, Ambassadors, in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes. Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

SHIPS' OOMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE, No. 67, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

To Let.

TO LET. STABLES, to Accommodate Three Horses and a Carriage. Apply to THE MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, February 23, 1878.

TO LET. SMALL GODOWN in DUNDRELL STREET. Apply to KYLE & BAIN, Ice House.

Hongkong, February 7, 1878. mc7

TO LET. HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached. House No. 2, Peddar's Hill. House No. 2, Seymour Terrace.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

TO LET. THE Dwelling House and Office No. 1, D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Three Offices, in Club Chambers. The Bungalow No. 1, Old Bailey Street.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, February 6, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at the usual AUSTRALIAN COAST PORTS).

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "ROMERSET" will be despatched from Singapore for the above Ports on the 8th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to the Undersigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 20, 1878. ff

FOR AMOY. The Steamer "ESMERALDA" due here on TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 23, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG. The 41 British Bark "ANTIPODES" Captain WYTHE, will load here as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 20, 1878.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON). The 41 British Bark "LADY BOWEN" Fox, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 20, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The 41 German Bark "NIAGARA" WISHNUT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 20, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 41 American Bark "ALICE M. MINOTT" WHITMORE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 41



## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR MANILA.**  
The Spanish Steamer  
"LEYTE"  
will be despatched for the  
above Port on WEDNES-  
DAY, the 27th instant, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
J. Y. V. SHAW,  
Agent.

**FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,  
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.**  
The Eastern and Australian  
Steam Co.'s Steamer  
"NORMANBY"  
will be despatched as above  
on FRIDAY, the 1st March, at 11 a.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

**MONTHLY SERVICE.**  
**FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,  
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,**  
and the usual Ports.  
One of the Australasian  
S. N. Co.'s Steamers will  
leave this for the above  
Ports on or about the 20th  
Proximo.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**SHIP CASHMERE, FROM CARDIFF.**  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessel are hereby notified that  
she has arrived in Port, and requested to  
take immediate delivery of their Goods.  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

**NAVAL CONTRACT, 1878-79.**  
SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will  
be received by the Undersecretary,  
until Noon on FRIDAY, the 15th March,  
1878, from Persons desirous of SUPPLY-  
ING the following ARTICLES for the use  
of H. M. Navy for the year 1878-79, viz. :—  
FRESH BEER.  
FRESH VEGETABLES.  
RICE.  
SUGAR.  
TEA.  
RAISINS.  
WATER.  
SOFT BREAD.  
BISCUITS.

Printed Forms of Tender and further  
particulars can be obtained at the Naval  
Storekeeper's Office.  
The right to reject the lowest or any  
Tender is reserved.  
J. BREMNER,  
Storekeeper.  
H. M. Victualling Yard,  
Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

**FOR SALE.**  
THE BRITISH S-MARTED SCHOONER  
"RUBICON,"  
of 204 Tons Register, or about 4,800 piculs  
carrying Capacity, as she now lies in this  
Harbour.  
Apply to  
MEYER & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

**Not Responsible for Debts.**  
Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be responsible for any  
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew  
of the following Vessels, during their stay  
in Hongkong Harbour :—  
QUICKSTEP, American barque, Captain  
Barney.—Captain.  
TARTAN, German brig, Captain Kaemena.  
—Melchers & Co.  
MARIE, German barque, Captain Hun-  
dewadt.—Wielor & Co.  
PALESTINE, British barque, Captain E.  
Scowcroft.—Tai Lee.  
KILMANN, British steamer, Captain  
O'Neill.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
LOUISA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain  
Schelshoff.—Eduard Schelshoff & Co.

**SHIPPING.**  
ARRIVALS.  
Feb. 23, River Lagan, British barque,  
581, Quinn, Cardiff Sept. 10, Coal.—Dou-  
glas LAFRANK & Co.  
Feb. 24, Yesso, British steamer, 560, S.  
Ashton, Foochow Feb. 20, Amoy 21, and  
Swatow 23, General.—Douglas LAFRANK  
& Co.  
Feb. 24, Kinta, British steamer, 1808,  
George Lee, Bombay Feb. 8, Galle 10,  
Panang 16, and Singapore 18, Mails and  
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
Feb. 24, 11.20 p.m., Indus, British str.,  
2684, S. D. Shalard, Shanghai Feb. 22,  
8 a.m., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
Feb. 24, Thingalla, Danish steamer,  
1877, H. P. Molsen, Cardiff Jan. 5, via  
ports of call, and Singapore, Coal.—  
Meyers & Co.  
Feb. 24, 7 p.m., Yangtze, Brit. steamer,  
782, Schultze, Shanghai Feb. 21, 2.30 a.m.,  
General.—SIXSEN & Co.  
Feb. 24, Lee Yuen, Chinese steamer, 734,  
Tadala, Shanghai Feb. 20, General.—O.  
M. S. N. Co.  
Feb. 24, Bangor, U. S. gunboat, from  
Canton.  
Feb. 23, Papa, German barque, from  
Whampoa.  
Feb. 25, Emerald, British steamer, 385,  
T. F. Cullen, Manila Feb. 22, General.—  
KILMANN & Co.  
Feb. 25, Malacca, British steamer, 1046,  
H. E. Smith, Yokohama Feb. 19, Mails  
and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.,

**DEPARTURES.**  
Feb. 24, Lee Yuen, for Canton.  
24, Neuchwang, for Shanghai.  
25, Donita, for Tientsin.  
25, Minerva, for Saigon.  
25, Namoa, for Coast Ports.  
25, Golden Horn, for Singapore and  
Panang.  
25, Rajanathammal, for Bangkok.  
25, State of Alabama, for Saigon.  
25, Yangtze, for Canton.

**CLEARED.**  
Christine, for Takow.  
Conquest, for Halphong.  
Emeralda, for Amoy.  
Atalanta, for Saigon.  
Belona, for Saigon.  
Vega, for Manila.

**PASSENGERS.**  
ARRIVED.  
Per Yesso, from Coast Ports, Messrs  
Chambers, Brennan, Hulse, Shroff, 1 Euro-  
pean, and 150 Chinese.  
Per Kinta, for Hongkong: from South-  
ampton, Surgeons W. B. Brokey, R. M. S.  
T. O'Grady, R. M. S., and Mr. B. Pollock;  
from Malacca, Mr. and Mrs. G. Walker; from  
Galle, Mr. Christmas; from Singapore, 25  
Chinese; for Shanghai: from Southampton,  
Mr. L. Osterholm.  
Per Indus, from Shanghai, Messrs John  
Wilson and servant, T. Major and servant,  
E. H. Gore Booth and servant, J. O. Fuller,  
and 14 Chinese.  
Per Thingalla, from Cardiff, Mr. Molsen.  
Per Yangtze, from Shanghai, Messrs  
Michaelson and Johns, and 27 Chinese.  
Per Emerald, from Manila, Mr. and Mrs.  
Holliday and servant, Miss O. Hartung,  
Messrs R. Gore Booth, W. Forrest, Don  
Valentine Fernandez, 1 European deck,  
and 150 Chinese.  
Per Lee Yuen, from Shanghai, Mrs. Ray,  
Mr. H. Gonsabrey, and 40 Chinese.  
Per Malacca, from Yokohama, Mrs. Wil-  
cox, Mrs. Livermore and 2 children, Mrs.  
Olmpman, Messrs Plummer, Brown, F.  
Schalpo, J. Ray (U. S. Mariner), 11 Chi-  
nese, and 1 European deck.

**DEPARTED.**  
Per Golden Horn, for Singapore and  
Panang, The Rev. John Paul, Mr. J. Daw-  
son, and 73 Chinese.  
Per Rajanathammal, for Bangkok, 20  
Chinese.

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The British barque River Lagan reports:  
Had W.S.W. winds till the 15th Sept.,  
when had N.E. winds, then strong winds  
to Madeira (21st Sept.), thence to the  
Equator (13th Oct.) had light winds.  
Crossed the Equator in longitude 23 W.  
Passed Meridian of Cape of Good Hope  
10th November, Sandwood Island 24th  
December, and experienced light variable  
winds in the Ombay passage, remaining in  
the passage for 20 days, and from thence  
to port strong variable winds.  
The British steamer Yesso reports: Foo-  
chow to Amoy fresh monsoon and overcast  
monsoon and fine, Swatow to Hongkong  
light variable winds and foggy. Steamers  
in Foochow: Appin, Perim, and H. M. S.  
Moorhen. In Amoy: H. M. S. Nansau.  
In Swatow: S. S. Caribbrooke.  
The British steamer Kinta reports:  
Good weather all through.  
The British steamer Indus reports:  
Weather calm and hazy.  
The Danish steamer Thingalla reports:  
Fine weather throughout the passage.  
The British steamer Yangtze reports:  
Left Shanghai on the 21st inst. at 2.30  
a.m., first part light monsoon, from White  
Dog to port light variable winds with  
squally and rainy weather. Passed the  
following steamers: on 21st Glenroy, 22nd  
Fuyee and Chinkiang, 23rd Norma, all  
bound North.

The Chinese steamer Lee Yuen reports:  
Fine weather and fresh monsoon through-  
out.

The British steamer Emerald reports:  
Left Manila on the 22nd inst., had light  
Northerly winds and calms to abreast of  
the Pratas Shoal. From thence to port  
strong monsoon and dirty weather.

The British steamer Malacca reports:  
Fresh N.W. winds off the Coast of Japan,  
and light monsoons with rainy weather off  
the China Coast.

**POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.**  
MAILS will close :—  
For AMOY.—  
Per Emerald, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,  
the 26th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—  
Per Thingalla, at 1.30 p.m. To-morrow,  
the 26th inst., instead of as previous-  
ly notified.

Per Kinta, at 3 p.m. To-morrow, the  
26th inst. Late letters received from  
8.10 to 3.30, with 18 cents late fee.

For SWATOW.—  
Per Radnorshire, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow,  
the 26th inst.

For HAIPHONG AND HANOI.—  
Per Zambonga, at 5 p.m. To-morrow,  
the 26th inst., instead of as pre-  
viously notified.

For MANILA.—  
Per Leyte, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday,  
the 27th inst.

For SAIGON.—  
Per Pernambuco, at 9.30 p.m., on Wed-  
nesday, the 27th inst.

Per Athens, at noon, on Thursday, the  
28th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.—  
Per Malacca, on or about Thursday, the  
28th inst.

For PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,  
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.—  
Per Normanby, at 10.30 a.m., on Friday,  
the 1st March. 12 cent rates.

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.**  
The United States Mail Packet Belgio  
will be despatched on MONDAY, the  
11th March, with Mails for Japan,  
San Francisco, and the United States,  
which will be closed as follows :—  
2 1/2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.  
2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.  
Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa  
Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New  
Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can  
no longer be sent by this route.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.**  
The English Contract Packet INDUS  
will be despatched with the Mails for  
Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the  
28th instant.

The following will be the hours of closing  
the Mails, &c. :—  
Wednesday, 27th instant.—  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night  
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 28th instant.—  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale  
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and  
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra  
Postage till  
11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)  
addressed to the United Kingdom  
Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,  
till  
11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally  
closed.

Hongkong, February 14, 1878.

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**  
The French Contract Packet Aes will  
be despatched from Hongkong on  
THURSDAY, the 7th March, with  
Mails to and through the United  
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-  
seilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Bat-  
avia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras,  
Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and  
Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing  
the Mails, &c. :—  
Wednesday, 6th March.—  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post  
Office closes except the Night Box,  
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 7th March.—  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of  
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and  
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)  
except those to and through Australia,  
may be posted on payment of a  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,  
till  
11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

Hongkong, February 21, 1878.

**Shipping Intelligence.**  
The following is corrected from the latest  
London and Colonial Papers :—  
VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

When left, Name. From. Remarks.

May  
10, David, Antwerp  
12, Chondos, Cardiff  
18, Alaire, Melbourne

June  
18, Henry Lippett, New York

July  
2, Northampton, Baltimore

Aug.  
11, North Star, Cardiff  
14, Regulus, Cardiff

Sept.  
3, Andreas, Flushing Roads  
7, Hecla, Flushing Roads  
21, P. J. Carleton, Liverpool  
23, Victoria (s.), Liverpool  
25, Maria Ravano, Penarth

Oct.  
2, Anna Bertha, Cuxhaven  
8, Forest Belle, Cardiff  
18, Kiano, Penarth  
18, Wega, Cardiff  
18, Oscar, Hamburg  
25, Benedicts, San Francisco  
30, Ledore, London  
30, Alden Besse, Astoria

Nov.  
1, Elizabeth Ostle, Antwerp  
2, Oatis (s.), Liverpool  
2, Johann Smidt, London  
3, Minna, London  
3, Elizabeth Shields, Hamburg  
20, Jethi, Cardiff

Dec.  
1, Glengaber, Flushing Roads  
2, Otto, Hamburg  
4, Devana, London  
13, Sir Harry Parkes, London  
19, Sedan, Cardiff  
19, Forward, Newcastle (s.s.w.)  
23, J. R. Worcester, London  
25, G. B. S., Liverpool

Jan.  
6, Ulysses (s.), Liverpool  
8, Koro, Penarth  
11, Elizabeth Childs, Sunderland  
11, Prince Friedrich Carl (s.), London  
12, Elizabeth Nicholson, Newcastle (s.s.w.)  
12, Hylton Castle, Glasgow  
17, Glamis Castle (s.), London  
17, Agamemnon (s.), Liverpool

Feb.  
1, Carl Wilhelm, Cardiff  
4, Oscar Mooyet, Newport  
5, Catharina, Cardiff

**LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.**  
At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.  
Glenfalus, Glenartney.  
Oxfordshire, Oxfordshire.  
Paf Ardun, Selling Vents.  
At Liverpool.  
Aurora (s.), Pictou.  
Desjellon (s.)

## General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, February 27 :—  
Noon.—Leyte leaves for Manila.  
Goods per State of Alabama undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

Goods per Amazona undelivered after  
Noon, subject to rent and landing  
charges.

THURSDAY, February 28 :—  
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports  
of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, March 1 :—  
11 a.m.—Normanby leaves for Port  
Darwin, &c.  
Galatas leaves for London, &c., on or  
about this date.

THURSDAY, March 7 :—  
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports  
of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, March 8 :—  
Transfer Books of The Chinese Insurance  
Co. Ltd., closed from this date to 22nd  
March, inclusive.

MONDAY, March 11 :—  
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s  
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San  
Francisco on or about this date.

FRIDAY, March 15 :—  
Noon.—Naval Contract Tenders close for  
the supply of Provisions.

FRIDAY, March 22 :—  
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The  
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, at the  
Head Office, Hongkong.

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continuous European Supervision.  
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 7.40 p.m.

**BIRTH.**  
At Shanghai, on the 20th February, the  
Wife of ALFRED A. KRAUS, of a Son.

**MARRIAGE.**  
On the 15th Jan., at Holy Trinity, Upper  
Tooling, by the Rev. R. W. Forrest, D.D.,  
Vicar of St. Jude's, South Kensington,  
assisted by the Rev. W. J. Edge, M.A.,  
Vicar of the parish, Walter Edwin Allum,  
of Foochow, China, eldest Son of Edwin  
Allum, of Chesham-place, Brighton, to  
Eme Mary Lane, youngest Daughter of  
John Wade, of Upper Tooling, Surrey, and  
formerly of China.

**THE CHINA MAIL.**  
HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEB. 25, 1878.

The telegrams we publish in another  
column from the Straits Times Extra  
afford us some additional information of  
an important nature in regard to recent  
events in Europe. Commencing with  
the earliest telegrams, we find one, dated  
Feb. 6th, stating that Russia refuses to  
accept Vienna as the place for holding  
the Conference, and desires that a town  
in some minor state should be appointed  
as the place of meeting. This advice  
throws some light on the changing of the  
venue of this diplomatic struggle from  
Vienna to Baden-Baden, which is ap-  
parently regarded as more neutral ground,  
and where the chances of the election of  
an Austrian president of the Conference  
will be diminished. The telegram tends  
to confirm the report of the critical  
relations between Austria and Russia,  
as showing that Russia feels she has  
more to fear than hope from Vienna  
influences. The Athens telegram of the  
6th February shows that the Greek  
invasion was stopped through the inter-  
ference of the guaranteeing Powers, and  
that the Greek provinces they have pro-  
mised to protect are those belonging to  
Turkey—facts which were not very  
apparent in the telegram received here  
on the subject.

The report of the Russian advance  
upon Constantinople appears to have  
created immense excitement in London.  
It was upon that report, it would seem  
from the London telegrams of the 7th  
and 8th February, that the House of  
Commons agreed by the large majority  
of 388, against 124 votes, to Sir Stafford  
Northcote's motion for an extra grant  
of six millions sterling for naval and  
military purposes. Mr. W. E. Forster  
drawing his amendment for the rejection  
of the grant, which he had moved on  
behalf of the Liberal party. A monster  
Conservative meeting was held outside  
the Houses of Parliament the same even-  
ing in consequence of the news, and the  
windows of Mr. Gladstone's house, and of  
the Daily News office were smashed.  
Acts of violence of this nature are rare  
in London now-a-days, and their occur-  
rence on this occasion shows how intense  
the feeling in the metropolis in regard to  
events in the East must have been at the  
moment, and how hostile to Russia. A  
subsequent telegram adds: "The English  
public is indignant with Russia." Doubt-  
less it was considered at Home that as

Turks were suing for peace, and had de-  
spatched commissioners to the Russian  
head-quarters for the purpose of obtain-  
ing it, the Russian advance upon Con-  
stantinople was unnecessary, and de-  
monstrative of some deeper designs than  
those professed by the Czar.

From the London telegram dated the  
14th February, there is no doubt that  
the British Squadron did enter the Dar-  
danelles without Turkish permission,  
and that it was an open question whe-  
ther its passage would be unopposed  
or the contrary. The proceeding was  
rather a venturesome one, because had  
the Russians succeeded in obtaining  
possession of the peninsula while the  
British vessels were quietly anchored at  
Constantinople, or the Turks, perhaps  
giving way to pressure from Russia,  
suddenly assumed a hostile attitude to  
England, the ironclad squadron might  
have found the passage back again  
through that narrow strait to the Medi-  
terranean rather a dangerous perfor-  
mance. No doubt, however, those half a  
dozen or more first class ironclads were  
not despatched through the Dardanelles  
by the British Government without due  
precautions of some kind having been  
first taken; still the fact, mentioned in  
the telegram, of the British Ambassador  
at Constantinople having telegraphed the  
announcement to his Government that  
the passage of the Fleet through the  
Dardanelles had been unopposed, shows  
that the English Admiral could have  
been by no means clear of the apprehen-  
sion of those ponderous guns, frowning  
down upon him from each side of the  
Strait, suddenly belching forth a storm of  
shot and shell upon his devoted vessels.  
The passage of that Strait, although un-  
opposed excepting by the refusal of the  
Turkish Government to permit it to be  
undertaken, will form an interesting  
chapter in current history.

It is interesting to speculate at the  
present moment on the number of troops  
the British Government could, on an  
emergency, despatch to Turkey. We  
find from the official returns for 1876  
that the total regular army of the United  
Kingdom was 133,000; militia,  
139,000; volunteers, 168,750; yeoman-  
ry cavalry 15,078; and enrolled pen-  
sioners, 51,000—total, 473,338. In  
India, the European army, in 1876,  
numbered 66,313 men, and the native  
army, under British officers, 123,862,  
making a total of 190,175; or including  
the forces in Great Britain, a grand total  
of 663,503. The combined armies of the  
native chiefs of India numbered in the  
same year 315,000 men, with an artillery  
of 5,800 large guns. Looking at  
these figures, it is not unreasonable to  
suppose that the British Government  
could at a push despatch an army of  
150,000 men from the United Kingdom  
and another army of 100,000 men from  
India for service in Turkey. The army  
from the United Kingdom would of course  
have to be recruited from the militia,  
in the same way as during the Crimean  
campaign. Should another 100,000 men  
be required in a war with Russia, they  
would doubtless be forthcoming from the  
Mahomedan armies of the native  
princes.

**REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.**  
[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."] (By Southern Route.)

London, 22nd Feb., 1878.

The European Conference to be held at  
Baden-Baden assembles in a fortnight from  
to-day.

In the House of Lords, the vote of  
£6,000,000 asked for by Mr. Gathorne Hardy,  
has been passed.

In the House of Commons the Chancellor  
of the Exchequer (Sir Stafford Northcote)  
said in reply to a question, that recent nego-  
ciations have resulted in the agreement that  
Russia will not occupy Gallipoli, and that it  
is very probable that additional Navy Esti-  
mates will not be required.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

The delivery of the English mail was begun  
at 5.10 p.m. yesterday.

"OLD SPORTSMAN'S" Racing Notes will  
appear to-morrow.

The heavy rains to-day have had a bene-  
ficial effect on the new wide-walks of Paddar  
Street. They sadly needed a good rinsing.

The M. M. steamer Anadyr with the out-  
ward mails is expected to leave Singapore  
for this port, via Saigon, to-morrow  
(Tuesday) morning.

We learn from the Agent that the O. & O.  
Steamship Company's steamer Belgio will  
leave Yokohama for Hongkong, to-morrow  
afternoon (26th).

As the S. S. Yesso was nearing her buoy  
yesterday morning, a sampan got under the  
paddle box and was capsized, but no lives  
were lost; however, one man got a thorough  
good ducking and richly deserved it.

We notice that our energetic Postmaster is  
constantly making improvements in his  
manner of announcing the departure of  
mails. Instead of a separate slip for each  
steamer, he has now adopted the plan of  
giving this honor to the contract steamers  
only, and the hour of closing all mails by  
outside messengers is ascertained on one slip.

Mails closing to-day are announced on a  
separate slip as hitherto.

The British barque River Lagan reports  
spoke the following vessels: Dec. 26, British  
barque J. O. Munroe, from Greenock to  
Manila 67 days out, off Sandalwood Island,  
and same day the British barque Hecla, from  
Antwerp to Shanghai 69 days out. Jan. 8,  
German barque Iphigenia, from Hamburg  
to Japan 130 days out, off Ombay, and next  
day American ship Chardos, from Mauritius  
to Hongkong 68 days out. Feb. 11, British  
barque Carnarvonshire, from Cardiff to  
Shanghai 133 days out, Lat. 1.14 N. and  
Long. 130.40 E.

A TACHT race for the American Cup will be  
started to-morrow morning from the usual  
place at 10 o'clock. The course is, from  
the Coal-sheds at Kowloon, westward round  
a mark boat off Cow-e-show, back to the  
Channel Rocks, thence to Cow-e-show,  
and finishing at a mark near the starting  
place, about 33 miles. Naicat, Naomi,  
Wane and Ariel have entered. The Ameri-  
can Cup was made a Challenge Cup in  
1876 and was won the first time by Naomi.  
Last season Naicat took it, and Mr. McLeod  
is the present holder. If he should be  
fortunate enough to win it again to-morrow  
the cup becomes his property.

**INQUEST.**  
An inquest was held to-day at the Police  
Court on the bodies of Lam Afuk and Chan  
Aam, before the Coroner (James Russell,  
Esq.). The following gentlemen comprised  
the Jury: Messrs H. Kier, J. Sivari, and  
F. O. Dittmer. The deceased were under-  
going imprisonment, the first for larceny,  
and the second for receiving stolen goods.  
Captain Dempster's evidence was taken as  
to the commitment of the deceased, and the  
evidence of Dr. Ayres, as to the cause of  
death, when the Jury returned a verdict of  
death from natural causes.

In the Supreme Court to-day, a motion was  
made before the Full Court by the Attorney  
General on behalf of Leong Obo Kun, for  
the payment out of Court of a certain sum  
of money, about \$15,000, paid in by the  
defendants in the suit of Hui Fung v. Spratt  
and others; the plaintiff sued as official  
assignee in the bankruptcy of Fung Ming  
Cheong, the contractor for building the  
Cosmopolitan Dock for the defendants,  
Messrs Spratt & Co. The bankrupt in the  
year 1874 borrowed at various times  
\$22,500 from Leong Cho Kun to carry on  
the work, and in April 1875, he executed  
an assignment (\$22,500) of the debt due  
to him by Spratt & Co. Fung Ming Cheong,  
the contractor, subsequently became a  
bankrupt, and a suit was instituted by the  
official assignee to recover a certain sum of  
money due by Messrs Spratt & Co. to the  
estate. The case was referred to the  
arbitration of the Hon. J. M. Price, who  
found that \$15,000 were due, which amount  
was duly paid into Court.

The Attorney General, the Hon. Geo.  
Phillippo, instructed by Mr. Brexton, ap-  
peared in support of the motion, and Mr.  
Haylar, Q.C., instructed by Mr. Holmes,  
appeared on behalf of the Official Assignee  
to oppose it on the ground that the assign-  
ment was given without consideration,  
inasmuch as it was given only after the  
whole of the \$22,500 had been advanced;  
consequently it was a fraudulent preference  
over the other creditors. The Bankrupt  
Fung Ming Cheong and Leong Poy Chee,  
the son of Leong Cho Kun, were called to  
prove that the bankrupt had promised to  
execute an assignment of the debt before  
the whole money was advanced.

The case was finally put off sine die.

**Heron & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report.**  
Pagoda Anchorage, 16th Feb. 1878 :—

Arrivals During the Week.—Feb. 11,  
Hae Ting, from Shanghai; 13, Stentor,  
from Shanghai; 13, Douglas, from Hong-  
kong.

Departures During the Week.—Feb. 9,  
Appin, for Shanghai; 10, Ding Fung, for  
Orissa; 14, Stentor, for London; 14,  
Douglas, for Hongkong.



Mr Mark J. Stewart has put a notice on the paper to ask the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs when the remaining portion of the report of Sir Thomas Wade will be laid on the table, and whether it is the intention of the Government to ratify the Chefoo Convention.

The new Order in Council for the regulation and reform of the working of the Supreme Court of China and Japan will, we understand, be published early next month.

We believe that efforts are being made in several quarters for raising a fund for the benefit of the sufferers in the famine districts in China.

The appeal case of de Bussche v. Alt has been heard during the week, but judgment has not yet been delivered.

Mr. Lemaire will proceed by the next French mail to take up the appointment of French Consul at Hongkong.

The 80th (Staffordshire Volunteers) Regiment has had a rare run of luck in its recent promotion list. Within a year, two colonels have died, viz., Col. Hamilton Smith and Twamlow, and the regiment still further has to mourn the loss of Major Rowland. Lieut. Col. Amis succeeds to the command. Major Tucker and Tyler gain their majorities, and Lieut. Prior and Anderson their Captaincies. Should the regiment get into active hostilities at the Cape, further promotion—though not such as should be longed for—may be expected.

The following officers have been appointed to the gunboat, *Falcon*, which has been commissioned for the China station, by Commander B. F. Clarke:—Lieut. W. L. Morrison and Arthur Broughton; Staff Surgeon Goodall, and Assistant Paymaster Bray. The gunboat *Falcon*, four guns, 455 tons, 880 horse power, is also to be sent to the China Station and is being painted white to resist the heat. It may be remembered that a gunboat of this name, did good service in the early days of British intercourse with China.

The Gazette announces the promotion of Commander Edmund J. Church, 1868, commanding H.M.S. *Curlew*, in China, to the rank of captain. Owing to the promotion of Commander Church, the command of the gunboat *Fly*, on the China Station, is vacant.

We understand that Admiral Ryder, who has just returned from the China Station, has received the thanks of the Lords of the Admiralty. He is not likely to remain long unemployed.

Major Ellaby, who served in the expedition against the Taku forts in 1860, is to succeed Major Newbold, who will be remembered as in Hongkong in 1873, in the command of the artillery at St. Helena.

The Japanese, Latin Babs, has appeared on remand, at the Hammersmith Police-court, charged with stabbing Karaka Munshi, also a native of Japan. The magistrate again remanded the accused, and accepted the bail of the Japanese Consul for his appearance. Mr. Cave, Q.C., who appeared for the prosecution, said he was instructed not to urge the case against the prisoner; the Japanese authorities had inquired into the case, and were desirous of sending him back to his own country.

The appointment of Commander W. M.C. R. Castle to the *Curlew*, on the China station, vice Church, promoted, is gazetted.

The Ohio House of Representatives has adopted a resolution in favour of the remission of silver, at the same time declaring that President Hayes and Mr. Sherman, Secretary to the Treasury, do not in this matter represent the wishes of the people of Ohio.

A telegram from San Francisco, of yesterday's date, states that the police, assisted by the troops, have been obliged to protect the Chinese immigrants, on their landing in this city, from the attack of an armed and organised mob, the ringleaders of which have been arrested.

The failure is announced of Messrs. D. R. M. Gregor and Co., shipowners, &c., in Leith, with liabilities of over £200,000. Mr. M. Gregor had important connections in the China trade, and was interested in the Labuan Coal Mines.

Admiral Oliver Jones, son of the late Major-General Oliver Jones, who served with the 18th Hussars in the Peninsula war, died a few days since. Rear-Admiral Jones—who recently received this rank on retirement—entered the navy in 1826, became Lieutenant in 1829, and served, in late years, in the *Hemidul* during the Crimean war. He was a volunteer during the Indian mutiny. His subsequent commands were the *Furious*, and the *Shannon*, on the North American stations. From 1868 to 1869 he was Commodore, on board the *Princess Charlotte* at Hongkong.

The *Panjab*, from Japan, is considerably overdue, and Lloyd's committee have issued the usual notice asking for information about her. She sailed from Japan on May 31, for Falmouth, for orders, and has not been seen or spoken since. She was laden with about 1,100 tons of rice, valued at about £12,000, and partly insured at Lloyd's. She was an iron ship, of 888 tons register, built at Stockton, by Richardson, in 1867, classed A 1 at Lloyd's and owned by Messrs. Knevit and Co., of London.

The crew consisted of Captain John Black, and twenty-one hands. Messrs. Somes and Co., of Old Broad-street, state that as consignees of the cargo they have not applied for settlement, as they do not give up hope of the *Panjab's* safety. In support of this view they mention that she is a slow sailer, and also that a vessel last year occupied 300 days in a voyage from Nagasaki to Falmouth.

Mr. Childers, M.P., has delivered a lecture in the Town-hall, Pontefract. His subject was "Notes of Recent Visits to America." Lord Houghton presided. Mr. Childers, in the course of his remarks, said the Chinese question was becoming a very serious question all over the United States. The Chinese were going into the country in large numbers, and more than 100,000 had passed into California.

They were well organised, extremely economical in their habits, and able to supplant to a very large extent their European neighbours, because they could do work so much cheaper. They were coming into the country in the proportion of twenty or thirty men to one woman; therefore they were not likely to form a permanent settlement in the country. They were also heathens, and not easily reached by missionaries, and might be a source of danger to the future of the States.

At the Sheriff's Court, Dundee, an action has been decided brought by an English girl against the Rev. Joseph Emmannuel Woolham, of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, first, for £200, as damages for seduction; less the sum of £75 paid by the defendant; second, for £5 per session, to be paid with the principal.

children, of which it is alleged the defendant is the father; third, the sum of £200 per annum as alimony for the survivor of the illegitimate children. It was stated that the pursuer, when only thirteen years of age, met the priest in Dublin, in 1871, and an intimacy sprang up between them. At the solicitation of the priest the pursuer, who was then a girl, and there lived with him, he having promised to provide for her. She was delivered of twins, a boy and a girl, in 1876. The girl died the day it was born, but the boy was still alive, and at the special request of the priest had been named Joseph Emmannuel. The sheriff decided in favour of the girl, there being no appearance for the defender.

## Canton.

February 23, 1878.

The day that divides the patriotic affections of Americans with the Fourth of July is the natal day of Washington; and happy are they who, when far from home, participate in its fitting festivities.

Of such were those who were the guests of Mr. Consul Lincoln and his Lady at a banquet last evening at Shameson; when a very enjoyable repast was enlivened by national airs and sympathetic strains from the band of the U. S. S. *Tennessee*. Subsequently there was a dance at Concordia Hall at which the most of the Shameson community were present. The guests at the banquet, other than American residents, were Admiral Patterson and suite; Captain Young, U. S. S. *Tennessee*; and Lady; Captain Manly, U. S. S. *Ranger*; and about a dozen other Officers of the U. S. Navy.

It is rarely that this community is favored with so many visitors on the occasion of a national anniversary and still more so that a band of Music is in attendance. These circumstances concurring with some relaxation of the rigors of the most wet and cold winter that we remember here, combined to impart a pleasurable exhilaration to the enjoyments of the evening and night.

## Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates sitting.)

Feb. 25, 1878.

### DEPORTATION.

George Mari, a seaman belonging to the American ship *Humboldt*, was charged on remand with being a deserter, and was sent on board.

### BOARDING STEAMERS.

Chan Chan, a house runner, was fined \$5 for boarding the S. S. *Yesso*, before she was moored, and assaulting one of the quartermasters on board.

### STRAGGLER.

W. Smith, stoker H. M. S. *Lapwing*, was charged with being a deserter, and ordered to be sent on board his ship.

### LARVENT.

Chan Apo, a boatman, was sent to six months' hard labour for stealing clothing from two boats.

### DARING ATTACK ON THE POLICE.

Fu Apo and ten others, were arrested on suspicion of having been concerned in an attack which was made on the police at Apichan, on the 1st instant; when about thirty men attacked two Sikh constables, and took away their rifles and ammunition. The constables have been in Hospital since that time owing to the injuries they then received. Inspector Lindsay and Sergeant Toomey, accompanied by some Chinese lokangs, went to a house, No. 20 Sheng Fung Lane, on Saturday night, and apprehended the prisoners as one of the stolen rifles was found in that house. The Sikh constables were unable to identify any of the prisoners, and Inspector Lindsay said that one or two of them, he was sure, took no active part in the attack, because at that time they were in goal. Mr. Russell remanded them till to-morrow (Tuesday).

## ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s str. *Khiva*, Captain George Lee, with the London mail of the 18th January, arrived here yesterday.

### TELEGRAMS.

(Straits Times Extra.)

Constantinople, Feb. 5.—The office of Grand Visier has been abolished. A new Turkish Ministry has been formed, of which the following are the principal members: Vefik Pasha appointed Premier and Minister of the Interior, Serdar Pasha appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Resouf Pasha appointed Minister of War.

Athens, Feb. 6.—The Greek troops have captured Dhokaki, near the Turco-Grecian frontier.

Vienna, Feb. 6.—Most of European Powers, with the exception of Russia, have accepted Austria's invitation to a Conference. Roumania opposes Russia's claim to Roumanian Bessarabia.

Berlin, Feb. 6.—The debate in the House of Commons on Sir Stafford Northcote's motion for an extra grant of six millions for naval and military preparations still continues.

Vienna, Feb. 6.—Russia refuses to accept Vienna as the place where the Conference should be held; and desires that a town in some minor State should be appointed as the place of meeting.

Berlin, Feb. 6.—The German Parliament opened to-day by the Emperor William in person. In his speech from the Throne, he said that he hoped for speedy peace and the durable establishment of the Conference programme.

Athens, Feb. 6.—The Greek army has been ordered to stop their invasion, the guaranteeing Powers having promised to protect the Greek provinces of Turkey.

London, Feb. 7.—A report is generally current, which states that the British Government was informed last night that the Russian troops had entered Constantinople. Direct telegraphic communication with Constantinople is interrupted.

Aden, Feb. 6.—The *Kathgar*, with the mails of the 25th January, sailed for Bombay at 6 o'clock this evening.

## Rome, Feb. 7.—His Holiness Pope Pius the Ninth died to-day at 8 p.m.

London, Feb. 7, midnight.—Rector's special correspondent states that in accordance with the terms of the armistice signed at Adrianople, the Turks have evacuated the bases of defence and the fortifications around Constantinople and that Russian troops have entered the lines. The report that the Russians have actually entered Constantinople itself is a pure invention. Great excitement prevailed in the House of Commons this evening in consequence of the reported entry of the Russians into Constantinople. The Chancellor of the Exchequer (Sir Stafford Northcote) partially confirmed the news of the Russian advance, whereupon Mr. W. E. Forster withdrew the amendment moved by him on behalf of the Liberal party for the rejection of Sir Stafford Northcote's motion for an extra grant of six millions. A monster Conservative meeting was held outside the Houses of Parliament during the evening in consequence of the news of the Russian advance. Sir Stafford Northcote afterwards read a telegram from Prince Gortschakoff, dated this morning, in which he denied the report of the Russian advance.

London, Feb. 8.—The House of Commons have agreed by a majority of 295 against 96 to the ministerial motion to go into committee on the proposed extra grant of six millions. Many liberals abstained from voting. Sir Stafford Northcote said that as time pressed, the vote would be taken on Friday (to-day).

A mob last night smashed the windows of Mr. Gladstone's house and of the *Daily News* office.

London, Feb. 7, 1878.—Consols for account 95½. Rentes 110. Bar Silver 64½ 5/4.

BANK RETURNS:—Reserve of Notes £11,800,000. Bills discounted £17,800,000. Bullion £25,000,000. Proportion of the Reserve to the Liabilities 46½ per cent.

London, Feb. 8.—The English public is indignant with Russia. The London papers to-day consider that Prince Gortschakoff's telegram respecting a Russian advance is misleading and evasive.

Rome, Feb. 8.—The Conclave will assemble for the election of a new Pope to-morrow.

London, Feb. 8.—The House of Commons has agreed by 388 against 124 votes to Sir Stafford Northcote's motion for an extra grant of six millions sterling for naval and military purposes. The Liberal leaders abstained from voting. Sir Stafford Northcote said that in consequence of the terms of the armistice it was possible that troubles would arise at Constantinople, and a portion of the British squadron had been sent to Constantinople, not as a departure from England's neutrality but as a protection to British subjects.

Other powers has been asked whether they would join, and Russia had been notified of the action of the Government.

(Returns to Sir Stafford Northcote.)

London, Feb. 12.—A question having been asked in the Government as to the difficulty at present existing with regard to the right of entry to the Dardanelles, Her Majesty's Ministers replied, that the intention of sending the fleet to Constantinople was unchanged.

Prince Gortschakoff has telegraphed to the following effect:—"As the British 'Squadron' goes to Constantinople, we 'said' Russian troops there."

Active preparations are being made both with regard to the Army and Navy.

Several Austrian Ironclads are starting for the Levant.

Constantinople, Feb. 12.—The President of the Council of State (Turkish Ministry) announced, that if the British Fleet entered the Dardanelles, he would protest that England would be responsible for the consequences.

London, Feb. 14. (midnight).—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Northcote, stated in reply to a question, that the British Ambassador at Constantinople reports the passage through the Straits (Dardanelles) has been unopposed. (The Fleet) is now in the sea of Marmora. Nevertheless the Porte refuses to give its permission to enter the Dardanelles.

Prince Gortschakoff having sent a despatch stating that the occupation of Constantinople by Russian troops was a pacific measure, the Earl of Derby replied protesting against the occupation.

The Russo-Austrian relations are critical.

## China.

AMOI.

Feb. 15th.

The A.D.C. gave their first performance two nights ago, "My Uncle's Will" and "A Thumping Legacy"—both well done, as here we have the advantage of ladies' assistance, and our corps has been strengthened by the arrival of Mr. Barnaby Belmore, well known on the boards at Ningpo, Hankow, Foochow, &c. Weather still cold and uncomfortable, but the trees are beginning to bud, and I suppose we shall soon have summer.—N. C. D. News.

## FOOCHOW.

(Herald, Feb. 14th.)

Mr. Henningsen, of the Great Northern Telegraph Company, kindly exhibited a small telephone at the Club this afternoon. The apparatus is of a very simple nature, though capable of improvement. There is, it struck us, a want of clearness in the sounds conveyed, and communication is inconveniently liable to interruption by any ordinary extraneous noise.

In reference to the paragraph in our last issue about the Pilot-boat *Sea Dog*, we are glad to learn that the district magistrate at Ping Hai Bay rendered every assistance to the crew of the distressed vessel and prevented the natives from looting. The disabled craft was brought into port by the Arsenal gunboat *Ching Hai*, which happened to be cruising in the neighbourhood. The Commander of the pilot boat to Pagoda Anchorage, and we are informed behaved most kindly to the crew and to Mr. Light-keeper Green, who was on board the *Sea Dog* from Oukou.

The following truthful anecdote of Chinese social life may interest and amuse our readers. A Foochow carpenter, who has been in foreign employ for several years, discovered recently that he had saved enough money to indulge in the luxury of matrimony. Though 58 years of age his choice fell on a damsel barely turned 14, and for this tender little morsel the moderate sum of \$250 was asked as a dowry. Before the event was celebrated, the young lady's mama, with true feminine caution, employed a middleman to inspect the bridegroom.

latter, to make sure of not being rejected, persuaded his brother, who is at least 10 years younger than himself, to appear for him, and so passed muster. On the wedding day the older brother wore a false queue and carried off his prize. We are told that the little girl is already tired of married life, and "wants to go home to her ma."

We have been furnished with the following additional particulars of the mutiny on board the *B. Aymer*. The Chinese crew were engaged for a six months voyage from Shanghai to the Philippines and back. They shipped at Shanghai in June last, so that their term of service on board had expired. The vessel had, as previously stated, encountered bad weather in the China Sea on the return trip; and, meeting with the accident already recorded, was compelled to break the voyage and put into this port. On her arrival at Pagoda Anchorage she was making a considerable amount of water, and it therefore became necessary to use the pumps frequently in order to keep her afloat. It was while she was in this condition that the crew, immediately after arrival in port, demanded their discharge, which the Captain declined to grant until he had conferred with the United States Consul. The Captain left his ship in the morning for the Consul, and returned in the afternoon, with the intention of granting a discharge to such of the crew as chose to avail of it, and in the meanwhile to engage coolies to pump the ship. During his absence, however, the crew had struck work, and had assaulted one of the mates. When Captain Lapham got on board he ordered the men to work at the pumps, but this they positively declined to do,—arming themselves with cut-throat razors and other weapons. He thereupon went to his cabin, obtained a revolver, and threatened to shoot the first man that ventured aft. Next morning, the Customs Police were called in, and the mutineers were arrested and conveyed to Foochow for examination before the United States Consul. Here they were adjudged guilty, and the ringleader sentenced to one month's imprisonment and a fine, while the others were fined one month's pay and costs of court. These men, with the exception of the leading culprit, who is imprisoned in the United States Consular jail, have, we understand, since returned to duty.

## SHANGHAI.

(News.)

A correspondent suggests that Sir Thomas Wade's re-appointment is evidently the result of his campaign at Liverpool, resulting in the memorial from his Chamber of Commerce in favour of the Convention; and shows that his diplomatic powers are more persuasive in dealing with Englishmen than with "Heathen Chins."

A private letter from Foochow mentions that the proposed site for the new Race Course is on the Nantai side of the Min, and within 15m. walk of the Basket Court. The estimated cost of the land, including raising and draining, is about \$15,000, and the amount already subscribed is \$10,250, and many have not yet seen the list that is going round.—During the 17 years' experience of the writer, they have never before had such a surfeit of cold and rain.

## (Courier.)

In estimating the force available for war, should it unfortunately break out, it must not be forgotten that the soldiers now in readiness in Europe are but a small portion of those England has at once at her disposal. There are already in India over 100,000 troops ready for embarkation within a few days of their receiving orders. Besides, among the Indian population are myriads of Mussulmans not only capable of but anxious to bear arms, who will fly only too eagerly to the standard that precedes them in defence of the Sultan.

## FOOCHOW.

Feb. 18th.

The foreign Settlement of Shanghai is not the only place in the East where science is appreciated. This afternoon I saw two boys with an instrument which they said could "talk in the inside." Asked if they ever had one before, they said, "They could be bought at the City Temple, first year they were ever sold." The instrument consisted of a couple of joints of bamboo (bamboo cup), connected by a string and covered with paper. The Chinese are said to be a clever people, but they quickly utilize anything by which a few cash can be made.—N. C. D. News.

## PEKING.

A fairly satisfactory fall of snow took place on the night of the 23rd January, after a drought of fully three months' duration—there having been neither snow nor rain during that time except a heavy fall of snow on the 17th November; and the health of Peking has been much benefited in consequence. Contrary to the usual experience in this respect, the snow has continued to lie quite thickly for several days, instead of being blown off the ground; and its gradual absorption into the soil is considered very favourable for the prospects of the Spring crop, which had almost been despaired of previously. The drought in this province is, however, very partial.—N. C. D. News.

## TIENTSIN.

Jan. 30.

A couple of gentlemen, recently returned from a tour in the country, give a most distressing account of the state of some portions through which they passed. In many villages, fully half the houses had been despoiled of all their wood, doors, windows, beams, &c., which had been sold for a mere trifle to procure food, leaving only the mud walls standing. In some cases, we have heard of the beams being sold as fuel at 3 cash for 2 catties. In the Chi Chow district, scarcely any animals are to be seen, and many of the villages are half deserted; indeed, in some villages it was said that "more than half" the people had gone away, and of those left, according to the local constables' statements, and in villages of 60 to 80 families, the remainder were being decreased by death at the rate of one daily. The district is likely to be almost ruined by the time crops come again.

The Magistrate of Chi Chow adopted the following method of relief. It was announced that grain would be sold in the city at half-price. It was sold, however, in very limited quantities, and only on every third day, and the business was so slow that many had to go away unprovided; and even this sale was stopped about 18 days ago. The grand defect of this plan is that it does not meet the case of the great majority of the people; they have no money to buy with. Many persons who form 40 to

100-mow of land, and have been well-to-do farmers, have not a cash with which to help themselves.

One of the Hsien Magistrates, under this same Chow city, (Tao-hsing Hsien), adopted a different method. He announced that on a certain day 5 measures of grain would be given to each destitute person. Previous to the day of distribution, runners were sent to all the villages to ascertain who were really destitute.

The announcement stated that those receiving grain would be required to sign an agreement to repay the grain the coming year. Those who possessed even one mow of land were thereby rendered ineligible to the relief. Thus those who might have some hope of being able to repay the grain, if their land produced the coming season, were debarred the aid they needed by this very prospect, while those who had no such prospect dared not sign such an agreement; consequently no one went. It would be interesting to know if this proffered grain was a Government grant. The evil deeds of this official have been so many and so bad that he has become a by-word among his people; and, as a matter of fact, has almost ruined his district by his injustice and oppression.

Some time since, proclamations were issued forbidding the slaughter of cattle, on the ground that the officials were praying for snow. It was privately intimated to the butchers, however, that by the payment of a few hundred taels they would not be molested in their business. This they very properly declined to do. As a consequence, no beef is to be had. Our first fall of snow came yesterday, about an inch deep, and perhaps the strictures may now be removed.

I hear that a lightship is to be placed at the anchor, the coming season. This will decrease the need of pilots.

The weather continues cold; but the atmosphere is greatly improved by the light snow—would it might be multiplied by two.

## DIARY OF THE WAR.

(Compiled from the Daily Papers.)

Friday, Jan. 11.—Turkey has sustained a severe blow by the capture of the whole Schipka army by the Russians. The official report sent by the Grand Duke Nicholas to the Czar states that General Radetzky, after a desperate engagement, captured the whole of the Turkish army in the Schipka Pass. He has made prisoners of forty-one battalions, ten batteries, and a regiment of cavalry. The Turkish commanders at Widdin and Nisch have been ordered to ascertain from the Russians by flag of truce, what conditions would be accepted for the surrender of those places. A force of Turkish troops and auxiliaries have defeated the Montenegrins at Spoz and Malasour, and compelled them to fall back upon Yenikoi. Direct communication has been cut off by the Russians. A small detachment of Turkish troops is stationed at Baburt. From Batoum it is reported that a Turkish column from Tchorukous has reconnoitred the Russian positions near that place, and exchanged shots with the enemy.

Saturday, Jan. 12.—Resouf Pasha has telegraphed to the Grand Dukes Nicholas and Michael asking for the appointment of two Russian generals to discuss the terms of the armistice. A Constantinople telegram, dated yesterday evening at half-past eight, says that the armistice has not yet been concluded. The Russian commanders have said that there can be no armistice without a peace treaty. It is stated that Lord Derby has strongly represented that this course is not in fulfilment of the promise for an armistice made by Prince Gortschakoff. The Turkish army is that they were surrounded. During the fighting a Russian soldier was killed. There is a more detailed account coming from the Russian headquarters of the taking of the Trojan Pass. The Turks left 300 men dead in the fortifications. Three English doctors and Colonel Baker, aide-de-camp to General Baker Pasha, were amongst those taken at Kamallé. Fresh disasters have attended the Turkish arm. After sustaining a severe attack from the Servians on Thursday, the garrison of Nisch capitulated yesterday morning; eight thousand men surrendered, and gave up an immense quantity of arms. Prince Milan and his staff entered the town yesterday. Antivari also has surrendered, and is now held by the Prince of Montenegro.

Monday, Jan. 14.—There is but little news with respect to the armistice. A Vienna newspaper publishes what it hears to be the conditions of peace on which Russia means to insist, and these include the independence of the principalities and some territorial gains to them, the granting of autonomy to Bulgaria under a Christian Governor, and a gain of some Armenian districts to Russia. The Russian advance into Roumelia is being pushed forward with great vigour. General Gourko has captured Ichtiman, and his forces have arrived at Philippopolis, which is said to have been abandoned by the Turks. General Radetzky is hastening to Adrianople to endeavour to capture it before the armistice is concluded. The Turkish fugitives from Philippopolis and Adrianople are hurrying to Constantinople. Already 10,000 fugitives are on their way to the capital. On the Lom the Turks appear to have achieved some slight successes. They repulsed a Russian detachment near Radikoi, and have also forced the Russian right wing to fall back upon Elena. The Turks were thwarted in an attempt to capture two merchant vessels. The Servians are reported to have been defeated at Metrouleza. According to a telegram of Saturday's date from the Russian headquarters at Tiflis, Major-General Loris Melnikoff had inflicted a severe defeat upon a body of 8,500 Turks near Balburt. Erzeroum, the telegram adds, has been completely invested since the 2nd inst.

Tuesday, Jan. 15.—Serfer Pasha and Namyk Pasha have left Constantinople for Keasnik where they will meet the Grand Duke Nicholas to settle the terms of the armistice and the preliminaries of peace. A Servian telegram says that the Servians and Roumanians have effected a junction near Widdin, which has been demanded to surrender. The commandant, in reply, demanded that the troops should be allowed to march out with their hands. The Danube communications are still interrupted. The Turkish fleet has bombarded Eupatoria and Theodosia, on the Black Sea. Both are open towns. The capitulation of Erzeroum is expected. The Grand Duke Michael is awaited at Russian headquarters. One of the chief items from the seat of war to-day is the distressing account which is given of those who have taken flight to the capital, in the hope of preserving themselves against the advance of the Russians. An indescribable panic is reported to prevail throughout Roumelia, and we are told of hundreds of sick soldiers who crawl from their beds, and attempt to reach the railway stations. Those places are besieged, and even a train was stopped at one place by a crowd of refugees who blocked the line. Hundreds of sick and even healthy people are dying on the roads towards the capital, for the cold has now become very intense.

Wednesday, Jan. 16.—A great battle is said to have been fought by Suleiman Pasha near Philippopolis, in which the Turks are reported to have been utterly routed. The Prince of Montenegro has left for the army investing Soutari, whilst Ali Sahib Pasha has left Spoz and Pogoritzan in order to relieve the latter place. General Gourko reports that the latter was abandoned in Roumelia. As the prospects of the Porte are very dark, the prospects of Erzeroum offered to surrender the place on condition of the troops being allowed to withdraw to Trebizond. The offer was declined, and the bombardment re-opened. The Russians are settling down in Bulgaria. They have established a munition factory and powder mills at Tirmova. On the Lom, railway and telegraphic communications have been interrupted by the Russian troops. A Russian telegram says that in St. Petersburg it is thought that the position between England and Russia is improved, and that some middle course would be pursued, so as to reconcile the rights of Russia with those of the guaranteeing Powers.

Thursday, Jan. 17.—After much delay the Turkish Plenipotentiaries are at length fairly on their way towards the Russian headquarters, but it is possible that the Czar's representatives may advance to meet them. Before the departure of Serfer Pasha for Keasnik on Tuesday, Count Zichy verbally informed him that he had received official advices from Vienna to the effect that the Austro-Hungarian Government could not prevent the conclusion of an armistice on the basis of the peace preliminaries, but that, as a signatory of the Treaty of Paris, Austro-Hungary would not recognize a peace concluded without her assent to its different points. Count Zichy added that Austro-Hungary would be prepared to protect her interests by all the means in her power. There is scarcely any news from the theatre of war. The siege of Widdin is being prosecuted in a determined manner, and the fall of that place is to be expected. The garrison made a sortie this week, but after several hours' fighting were repulsed. The Roumanians, offended at the refusal of the Turkish authorities to recognize them as belligerents in reference to the armistice, have determined to carry on hostilities to the end. The Cretan Assembly is expected to declare its independence and annexation to Greece, which is making what look very like war preparations on land and sea. The Montenegrins are reported to have arrived before Soutari. An entrenched position near Mostar is held by 4,000 Nizams, with seven guns.

## Quotations.

HONGKONG, February 25, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash...\$580 a 582½

" Old Patna, cash... None

" New Benares, cash... 550 a 552½

" Old Benares, cash... None

" New Malwa, cash... 695

" Allowance Tael, 24 a 40

" Old Malwa, cash... 705

" Allowance Tael, ... 64.50

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H. DU POUY,  
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## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.  
Amazon, from London, in connection  
with the above Steamer, are hereby in-  
formed that their Goods are being landed  
and stored at their risk at the Company's  
Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained  
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,  
unless intimation is received from the Con-  
signees, before To-day, the 21st Instant,  
at 4 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after Wed-  
nesday, the 27th Instant, at Noon, will be  
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
H. DU POUY,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, February 21, 1878. fe27

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo

are requested to send in their Bills of  
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-  
signature, and take immediate delivery.  
This Cargo has been landed and stored at  
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
H. DU POUY,  
Agent.

EG Mr A. Marty, 11 places Wood, } from  
3 cases Shells, } Saigon.  
EP (in diamond) No. 1778 Order, } from  
2 cases Hats, } London.

Hongkong, February 13, 1878.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at  
the Rate of FIVE TABLES per  
SHARE will be made to Shareholders of  
record on the 1st October, Payable at the  
Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst.

Warrants will be delivered by the Under-  
signed to Shareholders or their lawful  
representatives on presentation of Share  
Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th  
Instant, inclusive.

By Order,  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

## INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports, of  
China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Said and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.  
JAS. B. COUGHTREY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

## (FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on  
Goods in Mats, on Goods on board  
Vessels and on Halls of Vessels in Har-  
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Agents Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against Fire to the extent of  
£25,000 on Buildings or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## Insurance.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-  
CIATION.

CAPITAL Fully Paid-up. £420,000  
Permanent Reserve. £250,000  
Special Reserve Fund. £75,000  
Total Capital and accumu-  
lations this date. £745,000

Directors:  
F. R. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.  
M. W. BORD, Esq., O. KENN, Esq.  
M. F. EVANS, Esq., O. LUCAS, Esq.

Secretaries:  
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.  
London Bankers:  
Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.

Agencies in:  
HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and  
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to  
all parts of the World, at current  
rates.

Subject to a charge of 12% for interest  
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS  
of the UNDERSIGNED'S BUSINESS will be  
annually distributed among all Contribu-  
tors of Business in proportion to the  
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ool

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED.)

## NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on  
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.  
In accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits  
are distributed annually to Contributors,  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premiums contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

OLYFANT & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1875.

## ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant in-  
surances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and  
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.  
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong  
for the above Company, are prepared  
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the  
extent of £30,000 on any Building, or  
on Merchandise in the same, at the  
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20  
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors:  
KWOK ACHONG, Merchant.  
PANG YEE, Merchant.  
HO SAI, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.  
LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.  
LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.  
CHEUNG SING YONG, Merchant.  
CHOW CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on  
BUILDINGS and on GOODS stored  
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, 48, Bonham Street.  
Hongkong, August 23, 1877. su23

THE LONDON ASSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER  
of  
His Majesty King George The Third,  
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:

Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at  
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Hongkong, July 25, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER  
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Pootow, Shanghai,  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late arrivals and departures reported to-day.									
Vessel's Name.	Class.	Captain.	Flag.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.	Remarks.
Steamers									
Albay	2	F. Ashton	Brit.	str.	306	Jan. 27	Douglas Lippitt & Co.	Halong	28th Inst.
Albion	3	Miller	Brit.	str.	1179	Feb. 21	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon	
Ambato	3	Brown	Brit.	str.	978	Feb. 18	Meyer & Co.	Saloon	
Atlanta	3	Petersen	Brit.	str.	782	Feb. 22	Stamson & Co.	Saloon	
Bellona	5	Abraham	Brit.	str.	789	Feb. 19	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon	
Benfield	5	Buchanan	Brit.	str.	999	Feb. 23	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saloon	
Bombay	2	Green	Span.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
Butuan	2	Tremoya	Brit.	str.	838	Jan. 20	Russell & Co.	Saloon	
Camoos	2	...	Brit.	str.	95	Oct. 2	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
China	5	Scott	Ger.	str.	648	Feb. 23	Stamson & Co.	Saloon	
Conquest	5	Scott	Ger.	str.	317	Feb. 22	Kwong Lee Yuen	Saloon	
Douglas	5	Pitman	Brit.	str.	864	Feb. 17	Douglas Lippitt & Co.	Saloon	
Edinburgh	5	Oullen	Brit.	str.	898	Feb. 26	Russell & Co.	Saloon	
Golden Horn	5	Alton	Brit.	str.	1024	Jan. 26	Hop Kye & Co.	Saloon	
Halong	2	Abbott	Brit.	str.	277	Feb. 17	Douglas Lippitt & Co.	Saloon	
India	2	Shallard	Brit.	str.	234	Feb. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Saloon	
Keishow	2	Lee	Brit.	str.	1606	Feb. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Saloon	
Khiva	2	Lee	Brit.	str.	831	Feb. 12	Russell & Co.	Saloon	
Leyte	2	Zuhagurbe	Span.	str.	994	Feb. 22	Stamson & Co.	Saloon	
Maharajah	2	Clarke	Brit.	str.	664	Feb. 21	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Kilias	Span.	str.	600	Oct. 30	Remedios & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Goyenechea	Brit.	str.	1015	Feb. 21	Melchers & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Wentat	Brit.	str.	643	Feb. 17	Melchers & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Thomson	Brit.	str.	1201	Jan. 29	H. Kier & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Roberts	Brit.	str.	48	Sept. 19	Insurance Company	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Riohis	Brit.	str.	1639	Feb. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Molsen	Dan.	str.	1677	Feb. 24	Meyer & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Hunter	Brit.	str.	265	Feb. 20	Landstein & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Ashley	Brit.	str.	995	Feb. 18	Russell & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	F. Ashton	Brit.	str.	860	Feb. 24	Douglas Lippitt & Co.	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Goggin	Brit.	str.	289	Jan. 20	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
Manzanilla	2	Aranguren	Span.	str.	661	Feb. 23	Landstein & Co.	Saloon	
Sailing Vessels									
Alden Beese	4	Noyes	Amer.	bge.	842	Dec. 27	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Alex. Newton	4	Newton	Brit.	bge.	308	Feb. 1	Chinese	Portland (Oregon)	
Allice M. Minott	4	Wheeler	Amer.	bge.	1100	Jan. 28	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Alphington	4	Cunningham	Brit.	bge.	829	Sept. 6	Wielor & Co.	London	
Angela	2	Barbeyron	Feb.	bge.	891	Nov. 14	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
Anna	4	Jessen	Ger.	bge.	447	Jan. 7	Edward Schellhaus & Co.	London	
Anna Leary	4	Gales	Brit.	bge.	762	Jan. 8	Chinese	London	
Anna M. Small	2	Packer	Amer.	bge.	1053	Dec. 4	Russell & Co.	London	
Antelope	1	Chaney	Brit.	bge.	1306	Feb. 15	Chinese	London	
Antipodes	4	Wyeth	Brit.	bge.	592	Jan. 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg	
Aristos	4	Erickson	Norw.	bge.	628	Feb. 14	Stamson & Co.	Hamburg	
B. F. Watson	3	Hawkins	Amer.	bge.	993	Nov. 20	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Broomhall	3	Bate	Brit.	bge.	1379	Oct. 20	Meyer & Co.	San Francisco	
Carl Ritter	7	Lausen	Ger.	bge.	596	Jan. 6	Stamson & Co.	San Francisco	
Cashmere	2	Kendrick	Amer.	bge.	890	Feb. 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Caylon	2	Kelly	Amer.	bge.	881	Feb. 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.	San Francisco	
Charger	2	Ballet	Amer.	bge.	666	Feb. 4	Chinese	San Francisco	
Charon Wattans	2	Widling	Ger.	bge.	541	Feb. 1	Chinese	San Francisco	
Christine	2	Widling	Ger.	bge.	860	Dec. 24	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Takow	
City of Halifax	2	Norris	Amer.	bge.	1168	Feb. 7	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Comet	2	Cromwell	Amer.	bge.	150	Sept. 26	Insurance Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Cornwall	2	Spones	Brit.	bge.	1199	Feb. 18	Meyer & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Danphin	2	Lhonnals	Foh.	bge.	318	Jan. 7	Edward Schellhaus & Co.	Labuan	
Edward P. Bouverie	2	Evans	Brit.	bge.	941	Jan. 22	P. & O. S. N. Co.	San Francisco	
Empire	2	Leekie	Amer.	bge.	1180	Feb. 21	Messageries Maritimes	San Francisco	
Euxodie Adolphe	2	Mirtin	Foh.	bge.	254	Feb. 13	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
F. Staroe	2	Gargullo	Ital.	bge.	494	Feb. 8	Thos. Howard & Co.	London	
Falcon	2	Barry	Brit.	bge.	798	Dec. 28	Meyer & Co.	London	
Fanny	2	Degomson	Foh.	bge.	818	Jan. 12	Carlowitz & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Faugh-a-Balaugh	2	Rute	Ger.	bge.	240	Jan. 18	Carlowitz & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Felix Mendelssohn	2	Barber	Ger.	bge.	921	Feb. 8	Melchers & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Fidello	2	Bolsen	Ger.	bge.	817	Feb. 12	Wielor & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Freeman Clark	2	Dwight	Amer.	bge.	1389	Jan. 19	Wielor & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Friedrich	2	Weyher	Ger.	bge.	289	Jan. 20	Kwok Acheong	Melbourne & Sydney	
G. F. Mantz	2	Schulkin	Ger.	bge.	661	Feb. 23	Landstein & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Georgina	2	Romney	Brit.	bge.	815	Jan. 13	Melchers & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Globe	2	Harrison	Brit.	bge.	798	Dec. 28	Meyer & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Golden Spur	2	Farrell	Brit.	bge.	88	Dec. 22	Meyer & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Great Admiral	2	Thompson	Amer.	bge.	1678	Aug. 19	Russell & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Great Admiral	2	Moutil	Ger.	bge.	312	Feb. 25	Wielor & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Hans	2	Petts	Brit.	bge.	773	Feb. 12	Russell & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Hark Away	2	Treat	Amer.	bge.	573	Jan. 18	Rozario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Herbert Black	2	Davidson	Ger.	bge.	484	Feb. 6	Landstein & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Herrmann	2	Koch	Brit.	bge.	256	Feb. 18	Messageries Maritimes	Melbourne & Sydney	
Hieronimus	2	Willey	Amer.	bge.	1018	Feb. 10	Melchers & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Humboldt	2	Diksen	Ger.	bge.	978	Nov. 24	Carlowitz & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
India	2	Cave	Brit.	bge.	1868	Dec. 20	Landstein & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Ionian	2	Reese	Amer.	bge.	1240	Feb. 23	Melchers & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Jalo	2	Moberg	Russ.	bge.	690	Jan. 12	Order	Melbourne & Sydney	
Kaiser	2	Russ	Russ.	bge.	680	Dec. 28	Rozario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Kaleja	2	Colvin	Brit.	bge.	687	Feb. 15	Wielor & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Kate Waters	2	Fox	Brit.	bge.	892	Jan. 21	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Kenton	2	Schierloch	Ger.	bge.	245	Feb. 23	Edward Schellhaus & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Lady Bowen	2	Klindt	Span.	bge.	439	Feb. 12	Mee	Portland (Oregon)	
Louis	2	Hundewadt	Ger.	bge.	428	Jan. 28	Wielor & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Lucie	2	Soule	Amer.	bge.	484	Dec. 30	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Marie	2	Braylave	Span.	bge.	273	Jan. 30	Remedios & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Mignon	2	Michaelson	Span.	bge.	670	Jan. 6	Wielor & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Minerva	2	Miles	Brit.	bge.	199	Feb. 6	Wielor & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Morning Star	2	Nicholls	Brit.	bge.	649	Feb. 12	Landstein & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Mosquito	2	Wichhusen	Ger.	bge.	620	Dec. 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Moss Glen	2	Stalker	Ger.	bge.	157	Feb. 14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Niagara	2	Clark	Brit.	bge.	695	Jan. 24	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Nicolaus	2	Worley	Span.	bge.	327	Jan. 6	Wielor & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Nimrod	2	Urie	Brit.	bge.	217	Feb. 14	Remedios & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Northern Star	2	Sooveroff	Brit.	bge.	698	Feb. 14	Melchers & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Nuevo Constante	2	Schultz	Ger.	bge.	391	Feb. 19	Siemssen & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Palatine	2	Tyler	Brit.	bge.	473	Feb. 7	Butterfield & Swire	Portland (Oregon)	
Patricia	2	Christiane	Ger.	bge.	261	Feb. 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Pauline	2	Richelsen	Ger.	bge.	420	Feb. 22	Meyer & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Peter	2	Barnaby	Amer.	bge.	826	Jan. 4	Captain	Portland (Oregon)	
Quickstep	2	Hunte	Span.	bge.	429	Jan. 5	Tak-mee Hop-kes	Portland (Oregon)	
Rapid	2	Quinn	Brit.	bge.	351	Feb. 23	Douglas Lippitt & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
River Lagan	2	Timmsen	Brit.	bge.	304	Feb. 17	Meyer & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Rubicon	2	Miller	Amer.	bge.	1086	Feb. 3	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Samar	2	Williams	Amer.	bge.	752	Feb. 17	Wielor & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Silas Fish	2	Binge	Ger.	bge.	210	Feb. 14	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Sophie	2	Hollowes	Feb.	bge.	286	Nov. 26	Carlowitz & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Star of India	2	Francoll	Feb.	bge.	387	Jan. 4	Carlowitz & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
St. Anne	2	Clough	Amer.	bge.	1090	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Sully	2	Kaemena	Ger.	bge.	356	Jan. 11	Melchers & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Sumatra	2	Flourid	Feb.	bge.	888	Feb. 8	Carlowitz & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Tarlar	2	Grusolice	Brit.	bge.	888	Feb. 11	Borneo Co., Limited	Portland (Oregon)	
Thomas Bell	2	Berry	Amer.	bge.	1270	Feb. 7	Russell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Titan	2	Harrison	Brit.	bge.	805	Feb. 18	Captain	Portland (Oregon)	
Tokates	2	Bakker	Dut.	bge.	288	Feb. 13	Siemssen & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Urio	2	Harnden	Brit.	bge.	219	Jan. 26	Wielor & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Uziah	2	Nordvedt	Norw.	bge.	588	Jan. 5	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Vega	2	McIntin	Brit.	bge.	519	Jan. 12	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Velocity	2	Baumann	Amer.	bge.	809	Feb. 18	Meyer & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Warrior	2	Blanchard	Amer.	bge.	809	Feb. 18	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Wealthy Pendleton	2	Herrman	Amer.	bge.	1099	Jan. 7	Kin-tyo-long	Portland (Oregon)	
Wildwood	2	Benedictson	Span.	bge.	701	Feb. 27	Kin-tyo-long	Portland (Oregon)	
Young Slam	2	Benedictson	Span.	bge.	701	Feb. 27	Kin-tyo-long	Portland (Oregon)	
WHAMPOA									
Japan	2	Ottmann	Ger.	bge.	270	Feb. 23	Siemssen & Co.	Tientsin	
Pei	2	Blaffe	Ger.	bge.	592	Feb. 23	Siemssen & Co.	Newchwang	
Pei	2	Lithr	Ger.	bge.	278	Feb. 16	Edward Schellhaus & Co.	Chafoo	
ZAMBOANGA									
Leo Yuen	2	Tisdale	Chl.	str.	784	Feb. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Vanitara	2	Schultze	Brit.	str.	782	Feb. 24	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	